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#### MACAO NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

MACAO, June 2.

His Excellency the Governor is setting himself anew to the organization of a volunteer corps and is said to be engaged in drafting measures for that purpose. H. E. Senhor Rodas may lay claim to a rare virtue. Reliable hearsay has it that far from being dismayed at the cool over-sight which has, so far, been vouchsafed his elaborate schemes of reform by our ministerial historians, our worthy Governor who was raised to the substantive rank of A. D. C. to H. M. the King in token of his daring feats in the Cuamata campaign of 1907, has availed of privileges inherent in his status to address himself direct to His Majesty Dom Manuel II.

St. J. Q. Pacheco de Souza, brother to our Chief of Staff Captain Pacheco, has replaced Sr. Ribeiro d'Almeida as sub-inspector of the Exchequer. The latter gentleman has proceeded to Timor on promotion. Dr. Barbosa de Lemos, the solicitor and master of Philosophy at the Lyceum Nacional, of which he was ex-rector, has been gazetted leave of absence by the Medical Board and is leaving by the trans-Siberian route for home on the 15th inst.

A genial personality has turned up unexpectedly in the person of Dr. Carlos Leitao, Protector of the Chinese, who went home six months ago on sick leave. His return will be particularly gratifying to the Chinese community as his locum tenens, O. P. Marques, has not been over-popular with the latter during his brief tenure of office.

Our native townfolk have been regaling our nerves during the last three nights with a series of discordant effusions from tom-tom, lute and cymbal attuned to the jarring din of fire-crackers, as a huge dragon over 100 feet in length was being paraded, in glimmering similitude, on the shoulders of forty human bipeds along thoroughfare and bylane all over the city in torchlight display. Scared by the prevalence of plague in certain quarters the Chinese were striving to propitiate their wrathful deities. At the approach of the legendary monster whole households turned out on the pavements to kowtow and kindle votive joss-sticks. From sundown till past midnight the place reeked with the fumes of powder and gun-rosin.

The recently christened church of the San Laurence Church rang out merrily their first wedding peals this morning at 9 a.m. when Lieutenant Manuel de Rocha was joined in holy wedlock to Miss Leonora de Rocha. The bridegroom is paymaster on the gunboat Rio Lima and his charming bride is daughter to the late Mr. A. A. de Rocha, an artful familiar figure in broking circles in Hongkong. The regimental brass enlivened the happy function, which was conducted by the Rev. Father Soares. Messrs. A. O. Monteiro, (manager of the Ultramarine Bank), and Carlos Rosa of Hongkong (the bride's brother) stood sponsors to the groom and his lady respectively. A fair sprinkling of the naval and military elements was discernible among the many friends of the contracting couple. A ceremony, later in the day, parties present at the bride's residence. "At Home" to a goodly gathering of well-wishers at the residence of the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Braz da Rocha.

#### THE CHURCH AND DIVORCE.

Archdeacon Mackenzie, of the East Riding of Yorkshire, in his annual charge to the clergy and laity at Scarborough, said that increase of luxury and self-indulgence, together with the rapid growth of divorce, had shaken the stability and purity of the marriage tie in British life. The Lord of the Apostles never intended the Church to recognize divorce for any cause whatever. His charge was that the Church must once for all definitely decline to recognize divorce. As to the restriction of population, they as Churchmen and Britons were bound to set their faces against such practices. At this moment England and Wales had suffered a greater proportionate decline in birth-rate than any European country.

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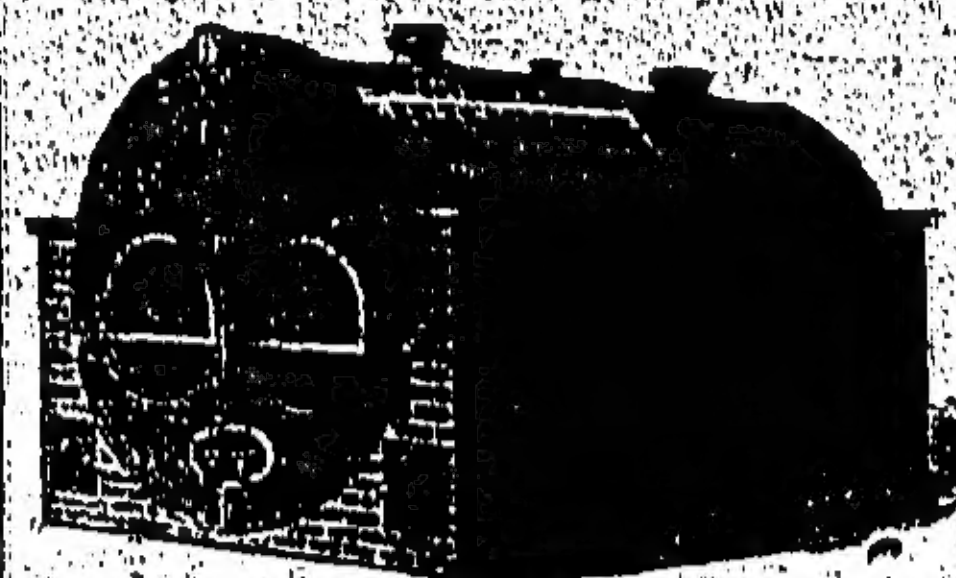
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## General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, June 5.—

11 a.m.—Auction of Household Furni-  
ture, at No. 2, Pedder Hill.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of High-class Irish

Household Linen, &amp;c., at Mr. Geo. F.

Lamont's Sales Rooms.

3.15 p.m.—Open Air Concert at the

Craigengower Cricket Club's Ground.

Goods per *Fookang* undelivered after

4 p.m. this date will be landed.

TUESDAY, June 8.—

Goods per *Mongolia* undelivered at Noon

on this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, June 9.—

Goods per *Sindia* not cleared at 4 p.m.

on this date subject to rent.

## The China Mail

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 1909.

## "HANDMAIDS OF THE GODS."

READERS of Mrs. FLORA ANNE STEEL'S

Indian novels have often made

acquaintance with the Devadasis, or

sacred dancing girls, attached to

certain Hindu temples. "Handmaids

of the gods" they are euphemistically

termed, but students of Indian history

know how sadly misnamed they are.

From time immemorial have they had

their recognised place in the ritual

of the temples and the dances which

they perform, hourly relics of great

antiquity, link them with the dances

of the Sun still performed in the Shinto

temples of modern Japan and with the

choric dances of primitive Egypt,

Babylonia and Assyria. The Ball-fires

of Caledonia had to be encircled by

dancing virgins on Midsummer night,

and the Druid circles of Albion, Bretagne,

and Lerne required their services. Some

archaeologists have seen in these dances

the descendants of the priestesses of

the cult of the Great Mother, which

dominated the religious thought of that

long-lost Minoan empire whose unearth-

ing in the last decade has been one

of the most marvellous results of latter

day discovery. But the Devadasis,

whatever the purity of their origin,

have long since in India been

synonymous of anything but religious

ideals. Very pitiful indeed is the story

which most of these women could tell

of the lives they are forced to lead

and many times the British Government

has been asked to interfere on their behalf

and to either reform the system or

sweep it away. But the British

Government has ever maintained an

attitude of strict neutrality in matters

of religion throughout the vast peninsula,

and when it voluntarily gave up the

control of temples and temple properties

it took a step which, however popular

it might have been from the point of

view of the Indian public, effectively

prevented it from rectifying abuses and

evils which have admittedly become

disfiguring excrescences on the fabric of

Hinduism and its institutions and

morals. The question of the service

of Devadasis in temples is such an one.

No matter how much the British rulers

might disapprove they could take no

step towards remedying the evil.

Reverent Hindus, however, have

gradually been brought to see how

great a scandal the Devadasis had

created, and quite an agitation for their

suppression has grown up in many

quarters. The British Government,

while approving of this, could not

interfere, and it was left to the

Government of a Native State to again

furnish proof that it is possible for

such a government to tread boldly on

ground where the British authorities

cannot even project so much as their

shadow. The particular native state

now in question is that of Mysore, in

Southern India, one of whose reigning

Princes recently passed through Hong-

kong on his way to Japan. It seems

that as far back as February,

1899, the Government of Mysore

moved thereto by many pious Hindus

who wished to see their religious cere-

monies purified from the many degrad-

ing accretions which the centuries have

gradually bound upon them, issued a

circular order describing the legitimate

services to be performed in temples by

Devadasis. In 1899 the Muzrai Super-

intendent, RAJ BHADUR A. CHARI,

directed that the dancing girls borne on

the Nanjangud temple establishment

should not be allowed to perform *tafa*,

or dancing, service in the temple, but

that the allowances payable to them

should be continued for their life-time,

and that at their death their vacancies

should not be filled up. Against this

order the dancing girls concerned

remonstrated. H. H. the Maharajah.

This was in 1905, and the order dispos-

ing of their objections has only just

been issued. In the course of the latter

the Government say:—

"From the Shastric authorities quoted

by the two Agamiks employed in the

Muzrai Secretariat, it is observed that

the services to be performed by Deva-

dasis (female servants of the god) form

part and parcel of the worship of the

god in Hindu temples and that singing

and dancing in the presence of the

deity are also prescribed. It is, how-

ever, observed that in the case of

Devadasis personal purity and rectitude

of conduct and a vow of celibacy were

considered essential. But the high

ideals entertained in ancient days have

now degenerated, and the female ser-

vants (Devadasis) are notoriously

women of loose morals.

The Government now observe that

whatever may have been the origi-

nal object of the institution of

Devadasis in temples, the state of im-

mortality in which these temple ser-

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

A total eclipse of the moon takes place

to-morrow and will be visible at Hongkong

at sunrise.

The Ex-Sultan of Turkey will probably

be interned at Rhodes. His chief eunuch

has been condemned to death as a re-

fractory.

Prince Jassu, heir to the Abyssinian

throne, has been married to Princess

Romania, niece of the Empress, aged seven.

The alliance unites two dynasties and the

families of four powerful Chiefs.

O. M. Daniels, champion swimmer of

the world, is engaged to be married to

Mrs G. F. Wagner, daughter of the late

F. H. Goodyear, of Buffalo, U. S. A.,

whose estate is valued at several millions

of dollars.

"The English in China," is published

by Sir Isaac Pitman and Sons. The author,

Mr. J. Brunley James, sometime Professor

of Law in the Imperial Tientsin Uni-

versity, traces the history of our relations

with the Chinese down to 1843, and in a

rapid survey summarises the leading facts

of the subsequent developments.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice

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donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

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The following announcements will

probably be of interest to a good many old

friends in the East:—On July 13 Mr

H. M. S. Man, of the Chartered Bank,

Hamburg, and formerly stationed at

Hongkong, Manila, and Saigon, will be

married to Miss Nora Loock, of Hamburg,

On August 28 Mr A. Murray Gibson, also

of the Chartered Bank, Hamburg, will be

married to Bournemouth to Miss Nicola

A. L. Eubank, of Aston Lodge, Surrey-  
Road, Bournemouth.

Intelligence received from an official

quarter in Washington points to the

conclusion at an early date of a special

agreement to regulate trade relations be-

tween Formosa and the neighbouring

islands with the Philippines. Correspond-

ence on the subject has been proceeding

for some time between the American and

Japanese Governments, and President Taft,

who acquired much local knowledge during

his Far Eastern tour, nearly three years

ago, is understood to be strongly in favour

of the conclusion of such an agreement as

beneficial to the interests of both nations.

Mr Gupta, lecturing last month before

the Indian section of the Royal Society of

Arts in England referred to the great

religious upheaval which had overtaken the

Hindu world. He spoke hopefully of the

Hindu powers of adaptation and assimila-

tion to enable them to emerge from the

crisis. The caste system had served useful

purposes in the past but, if the Hindu was

again to participate in the great work of

nation-building, they must demolish the

barriers dividing the community. Sir A. T.

Adair, who had been the work of the College

at Benares in giving the young men of

India an understanding of the Christian

faith. He rejoiced at Mr Gupta's mem-

bership of the India Council as the first fruits

of Lord Minto's reforms.

Recently the House of Commons went

into Committee of Supply on the Royal

Post Office vote of £12,337,930, and listened

to an interesting and amusing speech

from the Postmaster-General. The tele-

phone, remarked Mr Buxton in the course

of his review, showed a very fair improve-

ment of revenue, and while the telephone

was unfortunately past praying for, he was

anxious to keep the younger system on a

paying basis. Mr Buxton said the penny

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

The German Mail of the 31st MAY

was delivered in London on the 3rd inst.

Dr and Mrs Gladstone have passed

through to-day on their way to Shanghai



## THE ZEPPELIN AIRSHIP.

## BERLIN DISAPPOINTED AT NON-ARRIVAL.

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London, June 2.  
It appears that Berlin was hoaxed in connection with the expected arrival of the Zeppelin airship.

The Kaiser wired to Count Zeppelin expressing his disappointment at his non-arrival, as the troops had been parading to receive him on Whit Sunday Holiday. Count Zeppelin replied that he had never expressed his intention to visit Berlin and begged that an enquiry be made to ascertain the sender of the message to the Balloon Corps announcing his arrival.

Count Zeppelin hopes to visit Berlin in six weeks' time.

## CHINA AND HER TREATIES.

(Wah Tsai Yat Po's Service.)  
PEKING, June 3.

The Prince Regent has ordered the Board of Foreign Affairs to send him copies of the treaties between the different foreign countries so that if these should contain any features imposing a long-suffering grievance on China as a nation he may be able to take steps to secure desired amendments or have such clauses cancelled.

## GRAND COUNCILLORS RESIGN.

## PRINCE REGENT REQUESTS EXPLANATION.

(Wah Tsai Yat Po's Service.)  
PEKING, June 3.

The Grand Councillors Prince Ching, Lu Chin Lin, Hsun Cha Nai, and Yung Ching have tendered their resignations on the plea of old age. The Prince Regent has asked them if there has been anything wrong in his conduct. If not why should they desire to resign?

## FOREIGN MINING INTERESTS.

(Wah Tsai Yat Po's Service.)  
PEKING, June 3.

The natives of Anhui have been continually writing to the Board of Foreign Affairs to hold firm in not granting a continuation of the agreement with Sir John Lister Kaye respecting the copper mines concession.

## BANDMANN OPERA COMPANY.

Mr James F. Young, the principal advance manager for the Bandmann Opera Company, is in town. He announces that the Company will open at the Theatre Royal on Thursday by Seymour Hicks and Lilian Stiles' greatest success "The Gay Gordons." The new Opera Company comes with the best of reputations from the South. It is an aggregation of first class London artists with juveniles introduced for special performances, and is headed by Mr. Frank Danby, for many years principal comedian with Mr. George Edwards. Other members are George Villiers Arnold, principal baritone with D'Oyley Carte; A. G. Frith, Alfred Thomas, Miss Mabel Gregory, Miss Kathleen Rick, Miss Rose Fitzgerald, Miss Erna Edwards, Miss Anne Romaine, Miss Ella Hilders, and Miss Florence Booth. The company will stage "The Merry Widow," "Veronique," "The Prince of Pilsen," "A Waltz Dream," etc. Plan of seats is now open at Messrs. Mouton and Co.

## ITEMS AT THE COURTS.

Two masters of licensed trading junk were fined \$10 each at the Marine Court today, for failing to exhibit the regulation lights.

A boatman of a licensed passenger boat was fined \$25 at the Marine Court today, for carrying five persons in excess of the number allowed.

The case in which Drummer Collier, of the Buffs Regiment, charged two natives with robbery with violence was today withdrawn, the police having good reasons for disbelieving prosecutor's story that he had been bound, gagged, and relieved of \$10.

For having prepared opium in his possession Chan Sui was ordered to pay a fine of \$750, or undergo six months' imprisonment, at the Magistrate's Court today. There were five previous convictions against defendant, who admitted that he got the raw opium from San Chuan.

## ANGLO-GERMAN COMPETITION IN CHINA.

A cable from Tokyo published in the New York Herald, which is never friendly to England, states:

A high official says it is a patent fact that the English are unable to compete with the Germans in North China, and their activities are, therefore, diverted to the south, resulting in a clash with the Japanese.

The bitterest and Japanese activities emanate from England sources. Should Germany secure the Hankow-Chengtu railway she would acquire a monopoly of the upper Yangtze River, forcing the English to the north and intensifying clashes with the Japanese.

## CLAIM FOR WORK DONE.

Before Mr Justice Gompertz, at the Supreme Court, this morning, "Li Wo Shing, trading as Wo Shing firm, sued Tai Fook, trading as Yee Sang, for \$253.49 being balance due for work done and materials supplied in connection with the erection of granite stone work for a boundary at the side of Murray Road.

Mr E. Johnstone, of Messrs Deans and Bowley, appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. P. S. Dixon defended.

Mr Johnstone said that the wall was the one enclosing the Naval Yard and his client was a subcontractor who put in the granite work. The contract was to do the wall from the south end at the creek ground to the front rails of the Victoria Recreation Club. Subsequently the wall was extended to the V.R.C. premises and plaintiff agreed to defendants would pay the extra cost as it was near Chinese New Year.

Mr Dixon said that under the memorandum the price was distinctly stipulated. The money for that work had been paid into Court.

Mr Dannison, architect, gave evidence in support of Counsel's opening statement. Evidence was taken and his Lordship reserved his judgment.

## A CHARGE OF MANSLAUGHTER.

During an inquiry at the Magistracy today the proceedings were adjourned and the principal witness was placed in the dock on a charge of manslaughter. The inquiry was being conducted by Mr J. H. Kemp into the circumstances attending the death of a Chinese boatman who was drowned in the harbour on the 23rd May as the result of a steam launch colliding with his sampan.

The jury was composed of Messrs C. A. Carr, S. Boulton and P. H. J. C. Jonckheer.

The evidence was to the effect that the deceased, Chan Kiu, his brother and sister, were in a boat off Reclamation Street, Yuenai, fishing, when a steam launch coming from Hongkong ran into them and capsized the boat. Chan Kiu, who was at the bow rowing, was thrown into the water and never seen again. The steam launch was continuing on its journey when the woman called out, "Save life" and it returned. A lifebuoy was thrown to the two in the water and they were taken on board and afterwards put on shore.

The deceased, however, was never seen again. The evidence of Dr. Pearce, was that the cause of death was drowning. His Worship informed the jury that in addition to the statements presented to him others had been laid before him and he had been going through these during the inquiry. He was sure that he had brought home a charge of manslaughter against the coxswain of the steam launch instead of holding an inquiry. What he proposed to do was to abandon the inquiry and charge the coxswain with manslaughter.

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## A CROP OF THEFTS.

During the twenty-four hours ending June 2nd, the police were made acquainted with quite a little batch of thefts.

Miss Nicholson, employed at the Chamber of Commerce, reports that at about one o'clock she had stolen a gold ring, as well as one large and twelve small diamonds, valued at \$280. She left it lying on a table while she went to wash her hands, and forgot to take it up again. When she realised this she searched for the ring in vain.

Capt. J. H. Brown, of the A.S. Chenah, now lying at Taikeo Docks, reports that on the night of May 30th someone stole from the dock of the ship four cwt. of white paint and five gallons of oil paint, valued at \$60.

On Tuesday someone removed a copper public lamp from the junction of Macdonnell and Bowen Roads.

The most serious robbery was one which took place on Tuesday at the residence of Mr J. E. B. Smith, of Belgium, at 104, South Hill Road. While Mr and Mrs Bicknell were absent from their house, between 7 and 11.30 p.m., thieves forced an entry and got away with notes and jewellery valued at \$425. The stolen property included \$100 in Hongkong and Shanghai Bank notes; one twenty-two pound note, valued \$8; one plain gold chain with jade pendant, pear shaped, valued \$60; one plain gold bracelet valued \$50; one gold finger ring, valued \$15; two Japanese bracelets, one butterfly and one semi-hunter, English Lever, valued \$150; one gold brooch set with small pearls and greenstones in centre, valued \$40.

## CHINESE Y. M. C. A.

The annual report of the Chinese Y. M. C. A. for the year ending December 31, 1905, gives a healthy account of the many branches of the association as will be seen from the following facts and figures:—55 religious meetings attended by 2144 men; 60 enrolled in night school; 83 enrolled in day school; 30 enrolled in ambulance class, 18 of whom won certificates; 62 different men in Bible classes; 50 lectures attended by 5205 men; \$1319.00 subscribed by members, outside of membership fees; \$1240.00 subscribed by friends of young men; \$8421.75 total expenses for the year, 67.3 per cent of expenses paid by men who enjoyed the privilege of the Association.

To all those who have in any way assisted in the good work of the Association, due appreciation and thanks are accorded and "A year for men" as the report is entitled, should be in everyone's hands.

Four schoolboys were fined \$1 each at the Magistracy for setting fire to the grass in the Chungking Common in order to find a place where they could smoke.

## HOIHOW.

## Only Port and Capital of the Island of Hainan.

SCHEME FOR DEVELOPING AND CONSERVING HARBOUR.

(Specially written for the "China Mail" by K. A. MURPHY.)

Considering the trade that already exists in connection with Hainan, a most vague and cloudy atmosphere seems to prevail, not only as to its future possibilities, but as to the actual importance of the place from a commercial point of view. In 1905 official returns show that the amount of trade passing through Hoihow alone was \$11,000,000 in exports and imports. Roughly speaking, imports ran from \$4,000,000 to \$6,000,000; exports to something over \$5,000,000. No mean figures when one considers the disadvantages under which such trade has to be carried on.

The Island of Hainan is 270 miles south of Hongkong, and Hoihow itself is on the Po Chong River. At the present moment all vessels trading with the island have to anchor outside in the roadstead, some three miles from the wharves. Not only that, but owing to the fact that at high water there is not more than a depth of 5 ft. at the landing slope which at low tide is no more than 2 ft. no lighters are able to navigate the channel, and all cargo has to be discharged by means of sampans, even those being unworkable except at high water, and only if the weather is more or less favourable, as the boats being open, rough weather and high winds entail considerable loss by spillage of cargo. At low water the only means of communicating with steamers lying at the anchorage outside the spit is by punt, the time taken to cover the three miles averaging about two hours, whilst with full tide and a fair wind half an hour is amply sufficient.

The depth of water at the present anchorage is 21 ft.

As regards the possibilities of the Harbour of Hoihow a scheme is now under consideration which, without impairing or interfering with trade as it at present exists, would in two years time give a minimum depth of 10 ft., at low water, thus making navigation possible at all states of the tide.

The idea is this, to dredge from the break water on the Po Chong River one and a half miles above Hoihow down to the Customs, the width of channel to be 100 ft. and 10 ft. deep.

To continue this dredging from the I. C. Customs to the sea, allowing a channel 300 ft. wide, the depth being as in the higher reach of the channel, 10 ft.

The roughly estimated cost of this would be \$600,000. Should the Chinese Government be willing to finance the work, well and good; otherwise a small extra tax would need to be imposed on all exports and imports. As regards such port dues they would be less than 1 per cent on the amounts lost by steamers being delayed through the impossibility of cargo being worked owing to lack of water or stress of weather. As regards the sur-tax on cargo, though one per cent may be imposed at least two per cent will be saved in the boat hire now necessary in clearing and loading cargo. With the proposed minimum depth of 10 ft. all steamers will be able to discharge into and load from proper covered lighters, workable at all tides.

Such a scheme will also provide a shelter in times of storm or typhoon. At present there is absolutely no protection for the cargo boats or other small craft in such an emergency. One point must not be left unnoticed in looking at this matter fairly in the face, and that is that whilst Hoihow is the only existing port through which the trade of Hainan passes, there are one, if not two, other ports in a position to make a bid for such trade should the difficulties at present handicapping Hoihow be allowed to continue to bar the way through want of energy and initiative.

On the other hand this scheme, if carried out, will undoubtedly be, but the initial step towards enabling the port, through her increased facilities for trade, to undertake a far greater work in the future.

The most practical way of putting through the present undertaking would appear to be by placing the entire work into the hands of a single contractor, under a consulting engineer.

The possibilities of Hoihow itself as a port, and indeed of the Island of Hainan in general, it would be difficult to speak too highly.

The face of the country is rich in timber whilst the bowels of the earth yield gold, copper and tin. The latter pass out at from 60 to 80 per cent. To demonstrate the real commercial value of Hainan a knowledge of the resources of the Island and a sufficient capital to cover the first working expenses of the survey are necessary.

One concession has already been granted to some Chinese in Singapore. These men having become acquainted with the hidden wealth of the soil applied for that concession in order to develop the country; the drawback in their case is that though they have obtained permission to prospect and exploit certain parts of the Island they are unable adequately to avail themselves of that permission owing to lack of funds. Therefore, at the present time, there is a splendid opportunity for capitalists who, coming to this island, will find it a most profitable field for investment. The only drawback is that the only concession has already been granted to some Chinese in Singapore. These men having become acquainted with the hidden wealth of the soil applied for that concession in order to develop the country; the drawback in their case is that though they have obtained permission to prospect and exploit certain parts of the Island they are unable adequately to avail themselves of that permission owing to lack of funds. Therefore, at the present time, there is a splendid opportunity for capitalists who, coming to this island, will find it a most profitable field for investment.

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## which will undoubtedly follow the opening up of the land and the realisation of its possibilities.

Beside timber and metals, Hainan supplies pigs in enormous quantities. They are specially fed for the export market and are shipped both north and south; indeed, it is a fact, though possibly not generally known, that the Hongkong market is supplied almost exclusively with pork from Hoihow.

Now if it pays the P. and O. Steam Navigation Company to ship cargoes of refrigerated pigs from Hankow to England why should it not be possible for it to pay them even better to ship the same cargo from Hoihow, thus saving at least a fortnight on the return trip?

What is true of pigs applies also to poultry and eggs, whilst as regards cattle and stock generally the country is capable of raising and exporting quantities as are, both in quality and quantity, second to none in the East.

This being so, is it any wonder that some of the leading shipping houses of Hongkong take a most lively interest in the exploitation of the country and, in its exploitation, share, as a matter of natural sequence, in the employment of every means for facilitating that exploitation?

Again, looking at the matter from an outside commercial point of view such as that occupied by the Standard Oil Company, who import oil to something like 90 per cent of the present consumption, even to them will it not mean an immense increase of profit if, though they may pay, say five cash per ton more duty, they save at least ten cash in boat hire, and often as much or more in not having to keep their goods waiting hours, and even days, before being able to discharge cargo?

All these are but a few of the features that are frequent daily in the life of the island (as you approach the Island, water the only means of communicating with steamers lying at the anchorage outside the spit is by punt, the time taken to cover the three miles averaging about two hours, whilst with full tide and a fair wind half an hour is amply sufficient.

## CHINESE CHILD ILL-TREATED.

On Tuesday last a woman named Chun Yek, residing at 27 Upper Macao Road, reported to the police that a servant child of hers, aged 11 years, was missing. Some little time afterwards a telephone message was received from Mr. Shelling, of Peak Road, stating that a Chinese girl had been found wandering near his house. Sergeant Bell went up and brought the child to the Police Station, and when asked why she had run away she said she had been severely beaten by her mistress. Examination showed that the child's body was a mass of bruises. The woman was sent for, and Inspector Morrison charged her with ill-treating the child. She was set out on bail at \$50 but when the case was called before the Court the woman did not appear, and it has since been discovered that she has been removed. The child will now be handed over to the Registrar-General.

## HONGKONG TENNIS LEAGUE.

Y. M. C. A. v. Lusitano.

The European Y. M. C. A. Club secured their third successive victory in the Tennis League on Wednesday evening, when, playing at home, they overcame the Lusitano six by 70 games to 18, eleven games remaining unplayed owing to failing light. Of the eight sets played the Lusitano secured one. Hickling and Le Braton again proved themselves the strongest pair, winning 30 out of a possible 33 games, while Edwards and Fowler also did well in registering 27 to 6. For the losers, Rozz and Remedios did best, winning 13 and losing 21. Scores:—

Hickling and Le Braton (Y.M.C.A.) beat Hyndman and Yvanovitch 11/0, beat Letito and Gutierrez 10/1, beat Rozz and Remedios 9/2.

Edwards and Fowler (Y.M.C.A.) beat Letito and Gutierrez 10/1, beat Hyndman and Yvanovitch 9/2, beat Rozz and Remedios 8/3.

## League Table.

Y.M.C.A. (European)	3	3	0	6
Crangover	2	2	0	4
Kowloon	1	1	0	2
Lusitano	3	1	3	2
Y.M.C.A. (Chinese)	3	1	2	2
Schoolmasters	1	0	1	0
Civil Service	2	0	2	0
Talkoo	2	0	2	0

## WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued from the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 3rd at 12.10 p.m.—The barometer has fallen moderately over China and Hongkong.

A depression, which appears to be moving towards the coast, has appeared over the Yangtze Valley, and pressure is low over Hongkong.

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An Uncommon Etonian, by Frank Danby.  
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The Dartmoor House that Jack Built, by John Freeman.  
A Fair Raffle, by Morris Gerard.  
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My Lady of Shalott, by J. in Oxenham.  
The Thunder of the Hoofs, by Wm. H. Lang.  
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## DEPARTURE OF AN OLD FAR EASTERN RESIDENT.

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We refer to Mr. R. J. Hastings, of Aiping, Formosa. Mr. Hastings arrived in China in 1897 and took part in the capture of Canton by the British forces. Subsequently he joined the Army led by Hung Shue-shan, the Kwangsi enthusiast, whose abortive effort to re-establish a Chinese dynasty at Peking is one of the world-tragedies of the nineteenth century. His experiences then and later when learning of the intended execution of the half-dozen Europeans who were striving to ensure success to the Tsinpin rebellion, he fled to the coast and went over to the Imperialists under Gordon, who, make interesting reading. Mr. Hastings was with Russell and Co. in China for some years and after leaving that great American house of the East settled in Formosa, going into business on his own account. In this he has been successful and, now, after an absence of half a century, he is returning for a brief visit to his home in Scotland. He carries with him the best wishes of many friends whose hope is that he will shortly return renewed in health and with ample strength for another decade, or two of life out here.

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to	Hongkong	from	Brindisi	London
Colombo	1909	to	1909	1909
DELHI	June 12	MOOLTAN	July 10	July 13
DEVANHA	June 23	MOOLTAN	July 24	July 28
DELHI	July 10	MOOLTAN	Aug. 7	Aug. 13
DELHI	July 24	MOOLTAN	Aug. 21	Aug. 27
DELHI	Aug. 7	MOOLTAN	Sept. 4	Sept. 10
GALESDONIA	Aug. 21	MOOLTAN	Sept. 18	Sept. 24
DEVANHA	Sept. 4	MOOLTAN	Oct. 2	Oct. 8
ASSAYE	Sept. 18	MOOLTAN	Oct. 16	Oct. 22
DELHI	Oct. 2	MOOLTAN	Oct. 30	Nov. 5
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Capt. J. W. Evans

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TUESDAY, 8th

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Hongkong, May 29, 1909.

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#### NOTICE.

THE SPECIAL JURORS summoned for TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, the 4th instant, will not be required to attend until further notice.

By Order,  
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Hongkong, June 3, 1909. 731

### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

#### THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S STEAMER *SIMLA*.

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Goods not cleared by the 9th inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

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Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godown.

R. A. HEWITT,  
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Hongkong, June 3, 1909. 730

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Goods not cleared by the 9th inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

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Approximate times of closing mails at Shanghai via SIBERIA:

10th June.....at 1.00 p.m.

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14th June.....at 8.00 a.m.

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QUANG-CHOW-WAN, HOIHOW, PAK-HOI & HAIPHONG.

Per *Hanoi*, at 9 a.m., on Friday, the 4th June.

SWATOW & SHANGHAI.

Per *Chowang*, at 10 a.m., on Friday, the 4th June.

SWATOW, AMOY & FOOSHOW.

Per *Hanoi*, at noon, on Friday, the 4th June.

MAOAO.

Per *Sui Toi*, at 1.15 p.m., on Friday, the 4th June.

MANILA.

Per *Yuenang*, at 3 p.m., on Friday, the 4th June.

CEBU & ILOILO.

Per *Chowang*, at 3 p.m., on Friday, the 4th June.

SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.

Per *Gregory*, at 11 a.m., on Saturday, the 5th June.

MANILA.

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BANGKOK.

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## SHIPPING.

### ARRIVALS.

June 2.

*Simla*, British str., 3,833, C. D. Goldsmith, London, April 24, and Singapore May 27, General, P. & O. S. N. Co.

*Palat*, German str., 1,017, J. Wenzel, Bangkok May 25, Rice and Wood, Macassar & Co.

*Hanoi*, French steamer, 743, J. Pannier, Haiphong, via Pakhoi, Hoihow and Kwangchow-wan June 1, General, A. R. MARY.

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June 3.

*Esperanza*, British steamer, 2,543, P. T. Holmes, Melbourne April 29, and Manila June 1, General, Cress, LAYTON & Co.

*Sunshine*, British steamer, 368, G. H. Pannier, London May 30, General, BOTTENBACH & SWINE.

*Acacia*, German str., 1,291, O. Classen, Wuhu May 28, Rice, HANSEN-AMERICA LINE.

*Kriemhild*, German str., 848, H. Nijeha, Pakhoi May 30, and Hoihow June 1, Sugar and General, J. J. J. & Co.

*Atsuta*, Japanese steamer, 2,468, O. Classen, Moji May 27, Coal, ATAKA & Co.

*Fookang*, British steamer, 1,987, T. A. Mitchell, Calcutta and Singapore May 28, General, J. J. J. & Co., Ltd.

*Chow Tai*, German steamer, 1,115, W. Moller, Bangkok May 26, and Swatow June 2, Rice, MICHAM & Co.

*Frühling*, Norwegian str., from Canton.

### DEPARTURES.

June 2.

*Prinz Friedrich*, for Europe, via Prince Regent Luitpold, for Shanghai.

*Esperanza*, for Swatow.

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